# Liberty County Mobility Study

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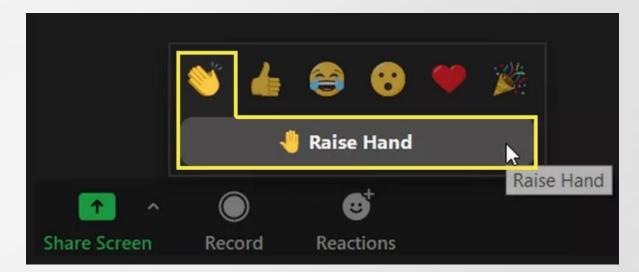
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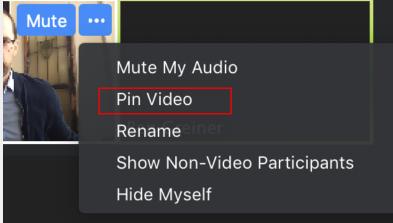
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#### **Today's Process: Translation & Interpretation**

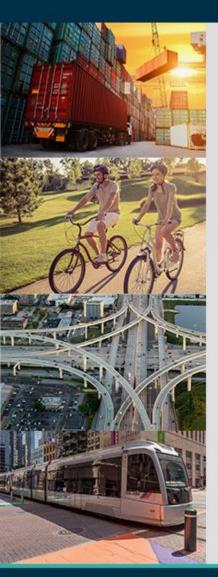
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#### Agenda



#### Presentation

- 1. Introductions
- 2. Project Overview
- 3. Vision and Goals
- 4. Identified Issues and Needs
- 5. Existing Conditions
- 6. Your Role
- 7. Next Steps

#### **Q & A – Live** and **Interactive**



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#### Introductions



## What is H-GAC?



- Regional forum for cooperative action by local governments in 13-county region.
- Created by Texas, Functions Defined by State and Local Governments:
  - Area Agency on Aging (12 Counties)
  - Job Training (13 Counties)
  - Gulf Coast 911 District (8 counties)
  - HGACBuy; Energy Purchasing; SBA; and more
  - Transportation Planning



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# **Metropolitan Planning Organization**

- Designated in 1974
- 8 counties, 120 local governments, ports
- 6.7 million residents
- Cooperative, Continuous, and Comprehensive Transportation Planning



#### **MPO Counties**

- Brazoria
- Fort Bend
- Waller
- Montgomery
- Liberty
- Chambers
- Galveston
- Harris



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#### **Project Team**



**Project Manager – Thomas Gray, AICP** 

Project Management Communications – Modeling



Client Project Review

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#### **Project Manager – Michael Feeney**



## **Steering Committee**



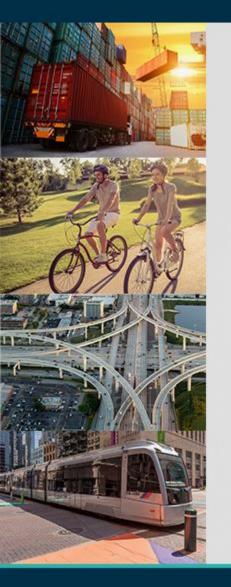
Liberty County Engineer's Office	David Douglas	County Engineer		
City of Cleveland	<b>Robert Pennington</b>	City Manager		
City of Dayton	Kimberly Judge	Assistant City Manager / Director of Development Services		
Dayton Community Development Corporation	Ann Marie Miller	Executive Director		
City of Liberty	Tom Warner	City Manager		
	Chris Jarmon	Assistant City Manager		
TxDOT	Noel Salac	Liberty County Engineer		
	Lisa Collins	Beaumont District		
	Jeffrey English	Houston District		



#### **Potential Stakeholders**



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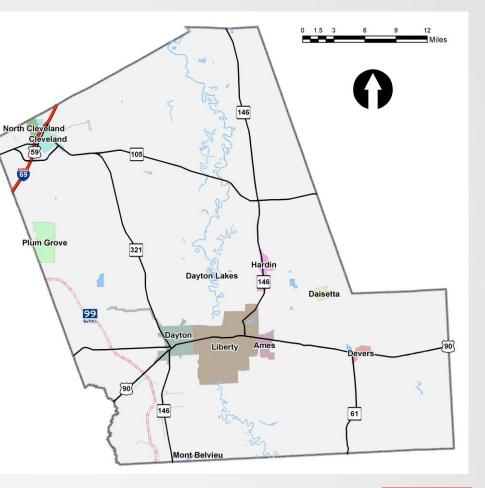
#### **Project Overview**



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# **Purpose and Study Area**

- Analyze the existing transportation network
- Consider existing and future land use and growth scenarios
  - Recommend ways to improve transportation mobility for residents, businesses and visitors now and in the future

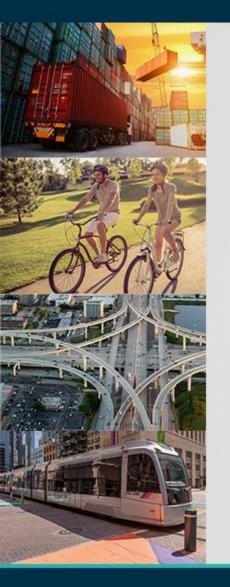




#### Schedule



LIBERTY COUNTY MOBILITY STUDY SCHEDULE								
	2020		2021					
Task	Fall	Winter		Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter	
Identification of Issues and Needs				•				
Data Assembly and Evaluation								
Analysis								
Implementation and Funding Plan								
Final Report								
Public Outreach	•		•	• • •	•	• • • •		
Duration of Task								
Steering Committee meeting				le are				
Stakeholder meeting				here				
Public meeting								
Online engagement activity								



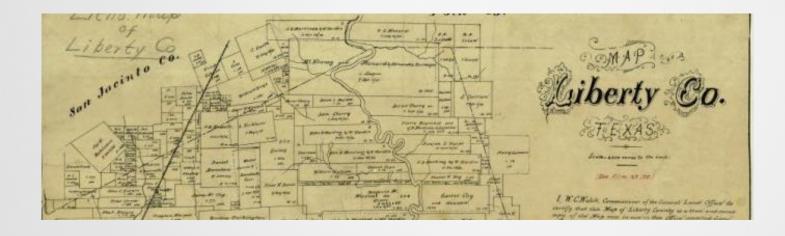
#### **Vision & Goals**



#### Vision

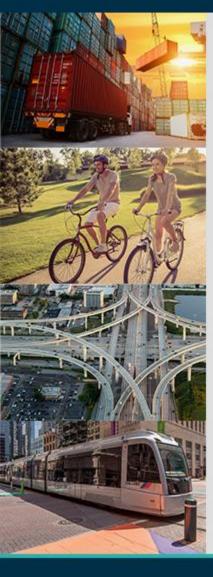


The vision of the Liberty County Mobility Study is to address County needs through multimodal transportation, development, and economic policy, while meeting H-GAC's goals of mobility, safety, and enabling economic opportunity.





## **Goals and Metrics**



#### **Goals (Metrics)**

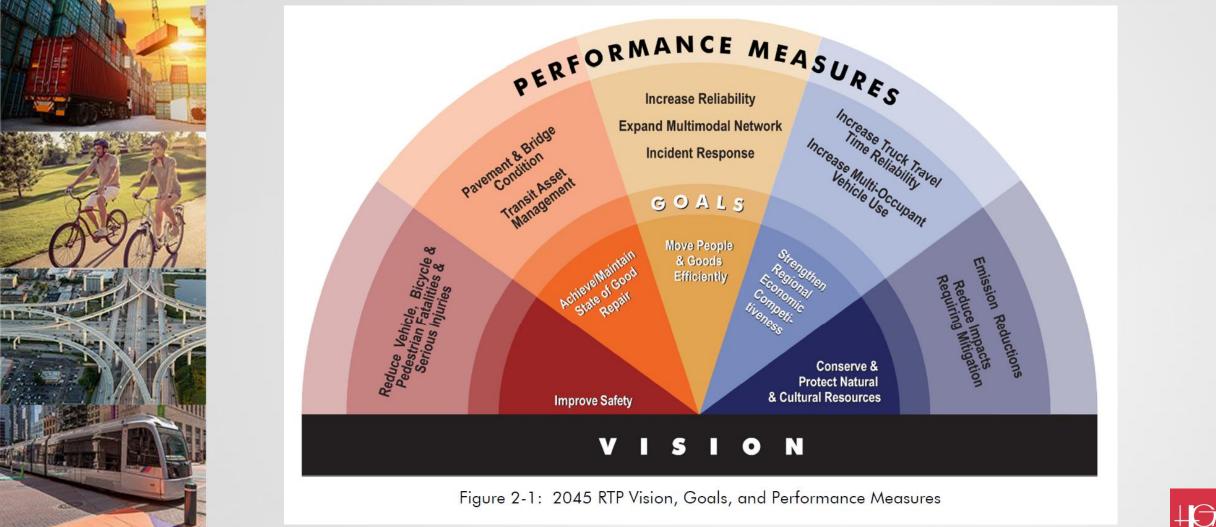
- Provide **MOBILITY** solutions and travel options for daily travelers (connectivity, gaps, multimodal)
- 2. Increase **FREIGHT** traffic efficiency (truck travel time, delay, routes and stops, railroad crossings)
- 3. Increase **EFFICIENCY** at high-congestion corridors and intersections (volume/capacity, LOS, travel time)
- 4. Improve **SAFETY** at high-crash segments and intersections (crash rates, number of conflict points)
- 5. Enhance **ECONOMIC** opportunity in focus areas (cross section, access management, economic impact)



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#### **H-GAC Goals**



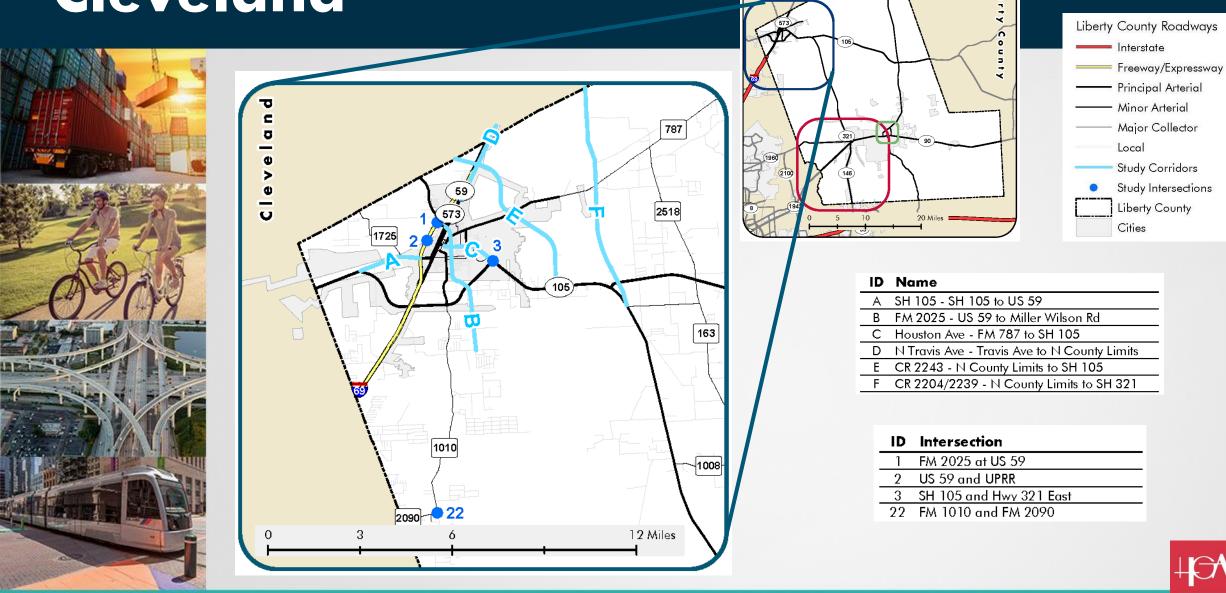


#### **Identified Issues & Needs**



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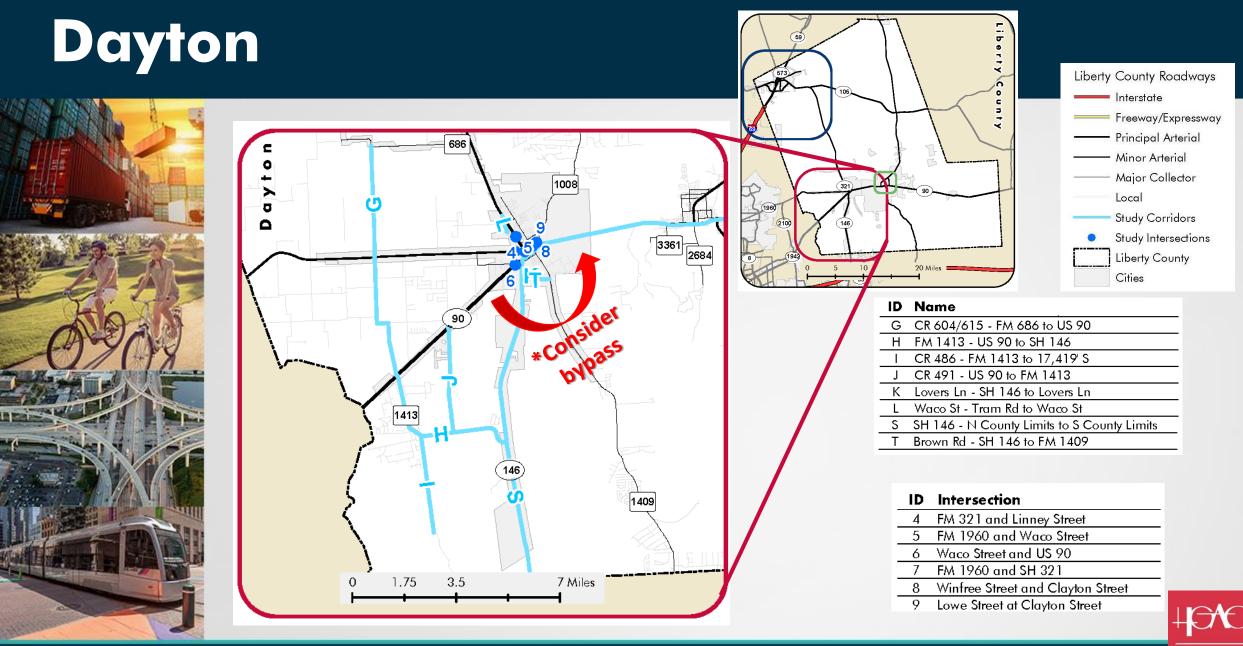
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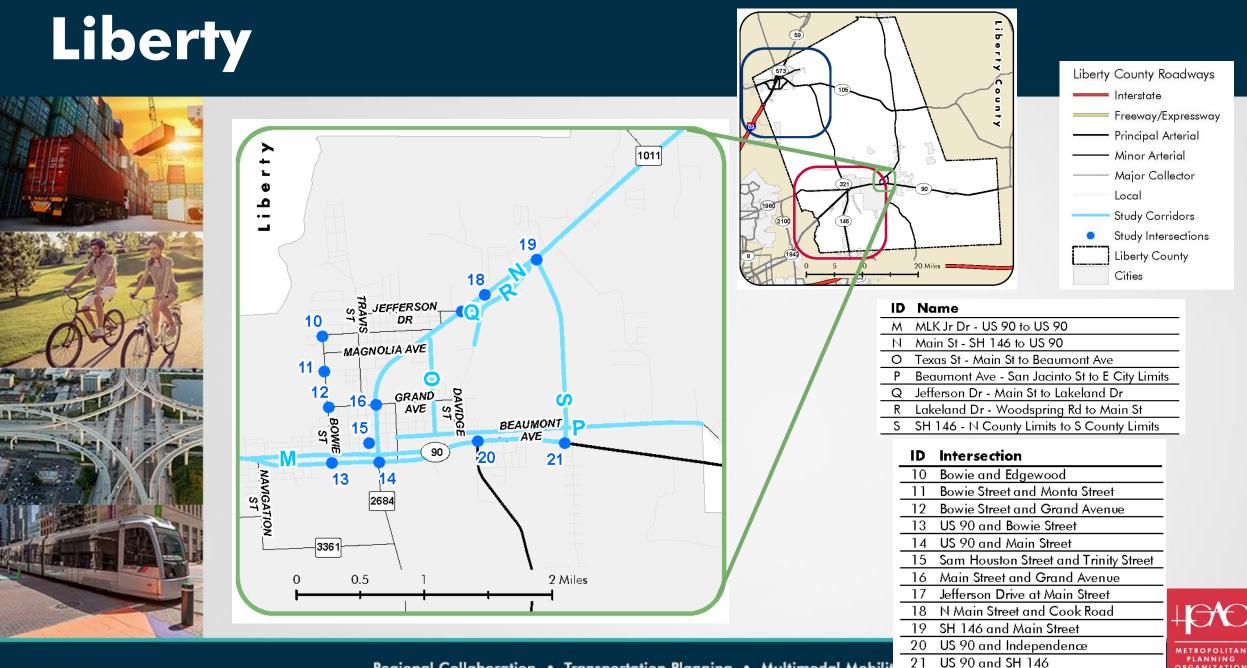


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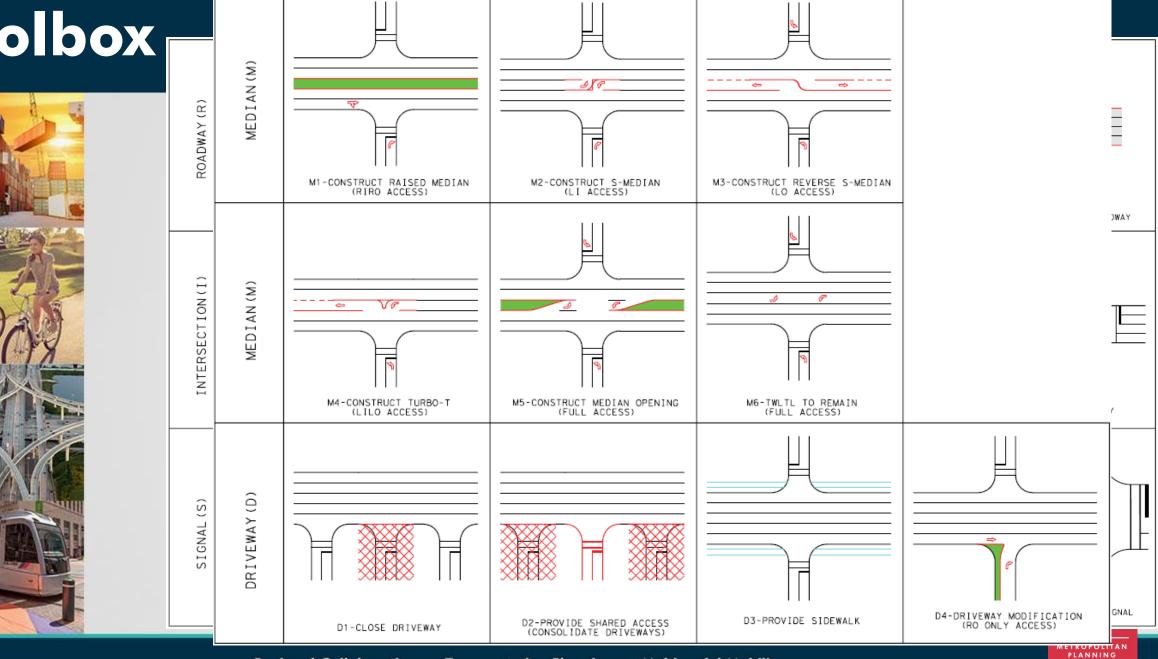
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#### Toolbox

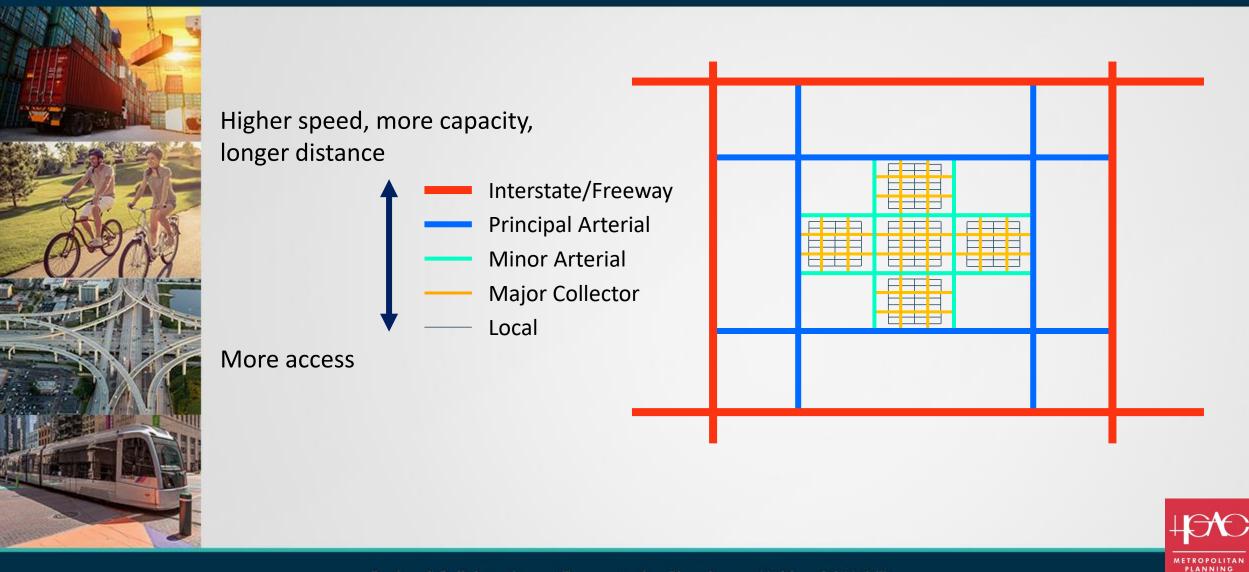




#### **Existing Conditions**

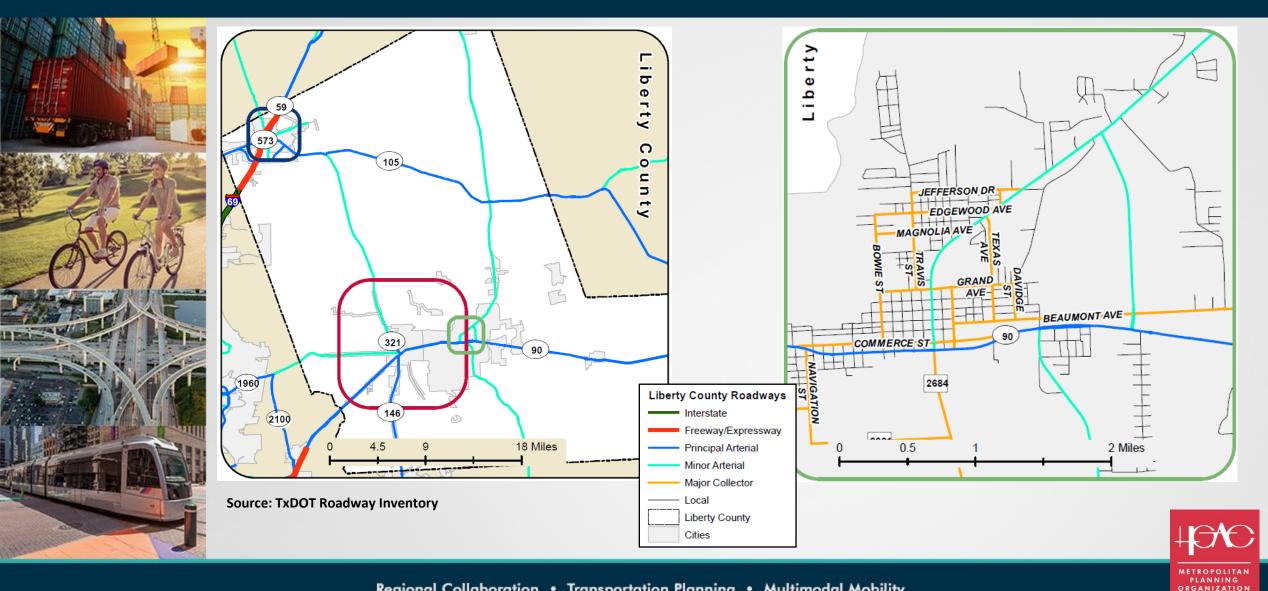


## **Roadway Network**



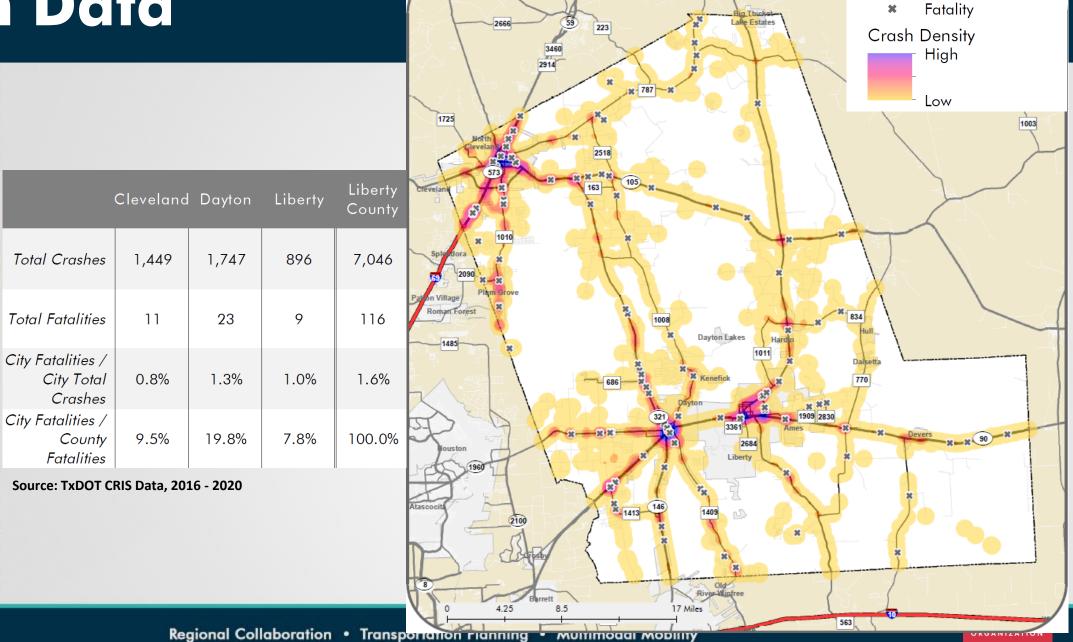
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#### **Roadway Network – Liberty County**



#### **Crash Data**





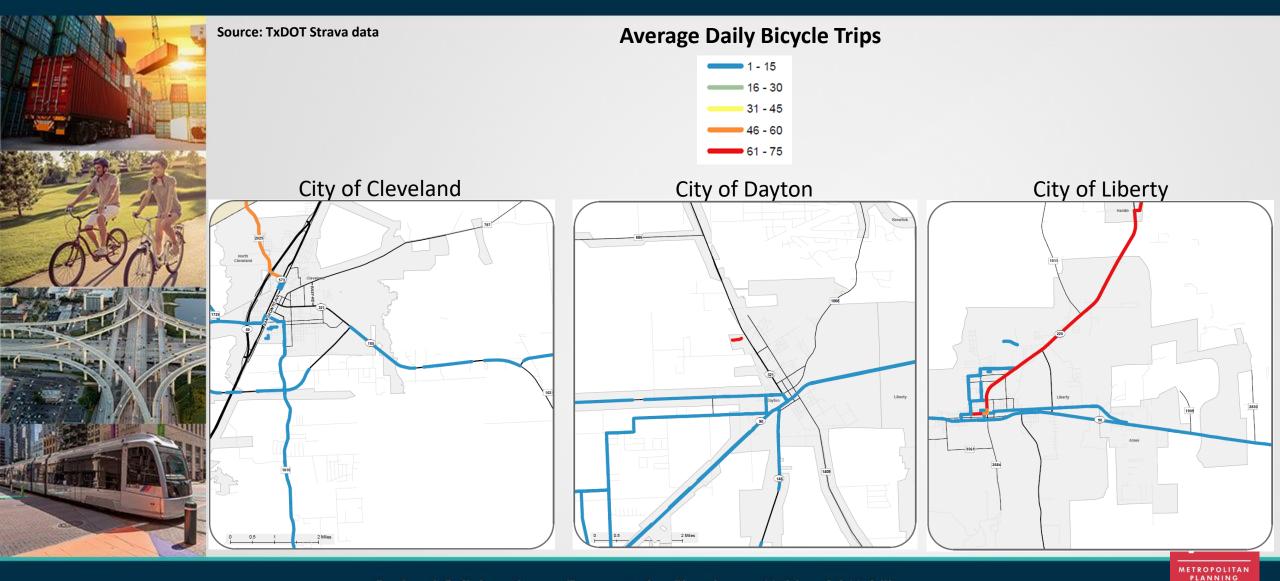
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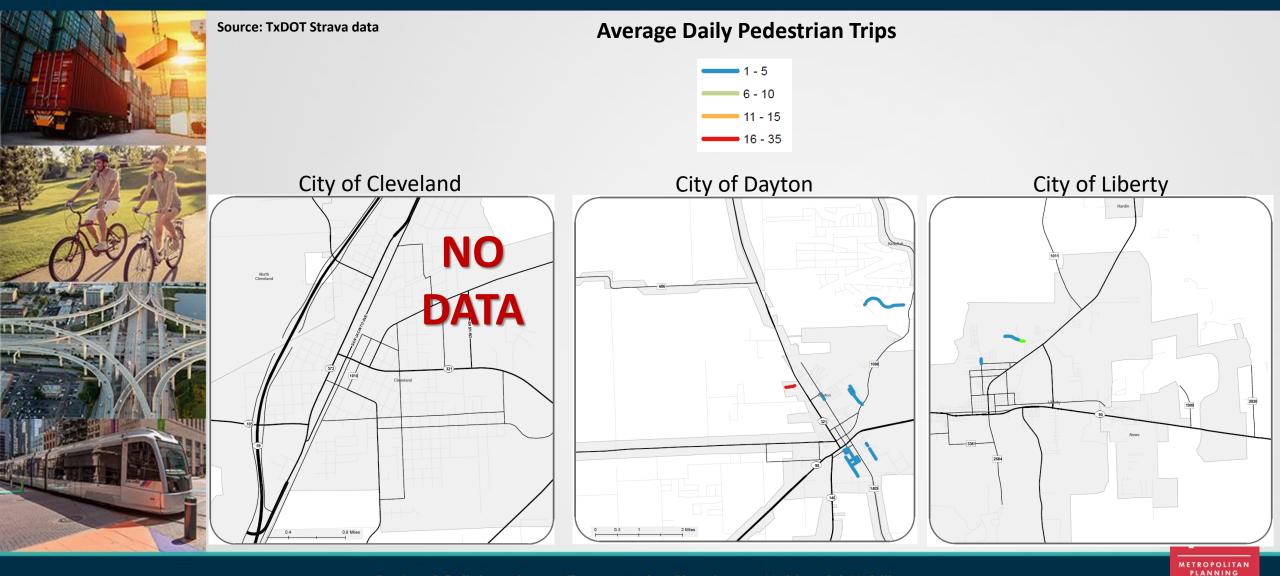
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Crashes (2016 - 2020)

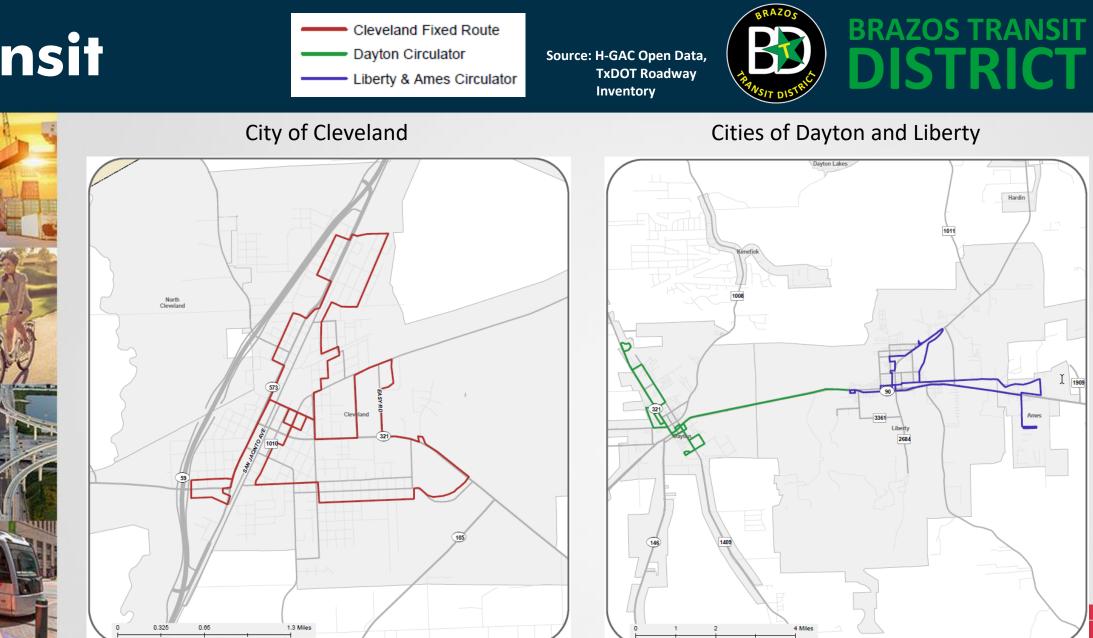
# **Bicycle Activity**



#### **Pedestrian Activity**



#### Transit



#### Railroads

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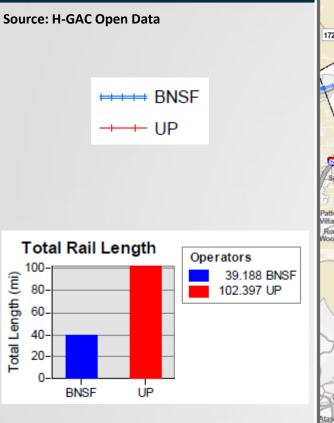
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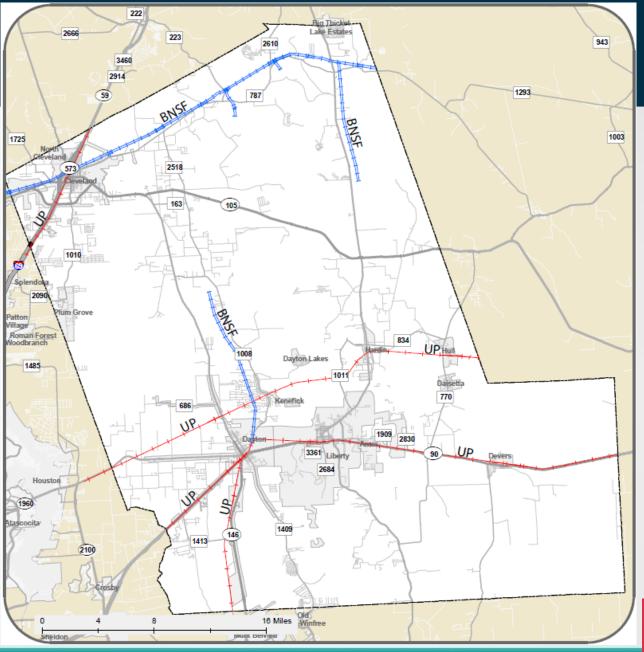
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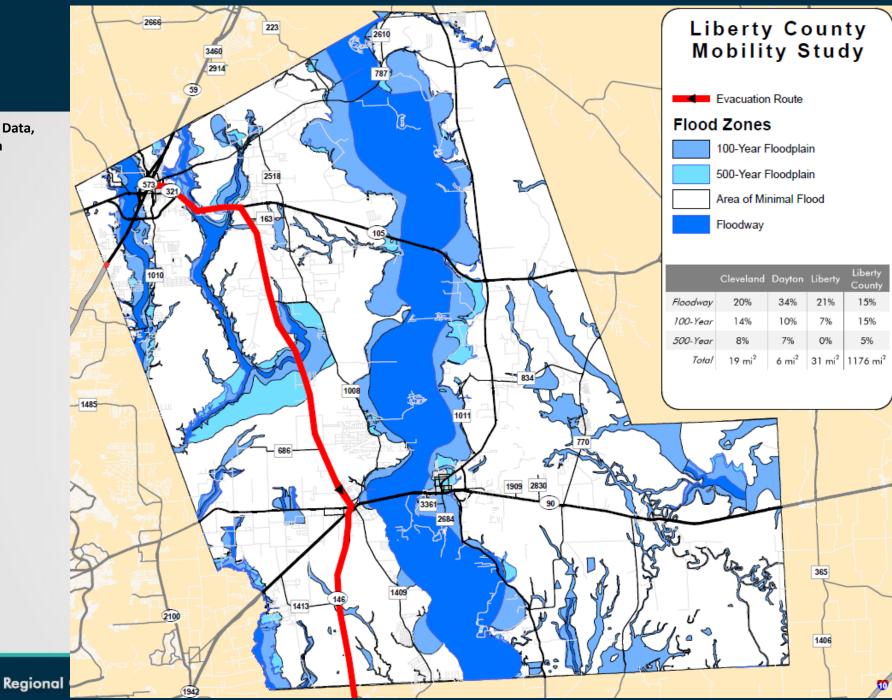




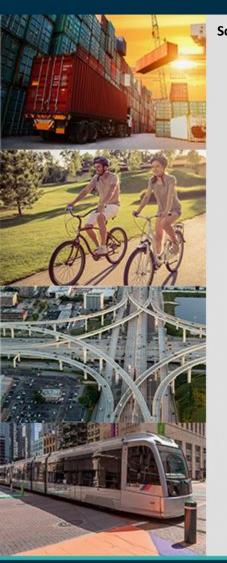


#### Flood and Evacuation

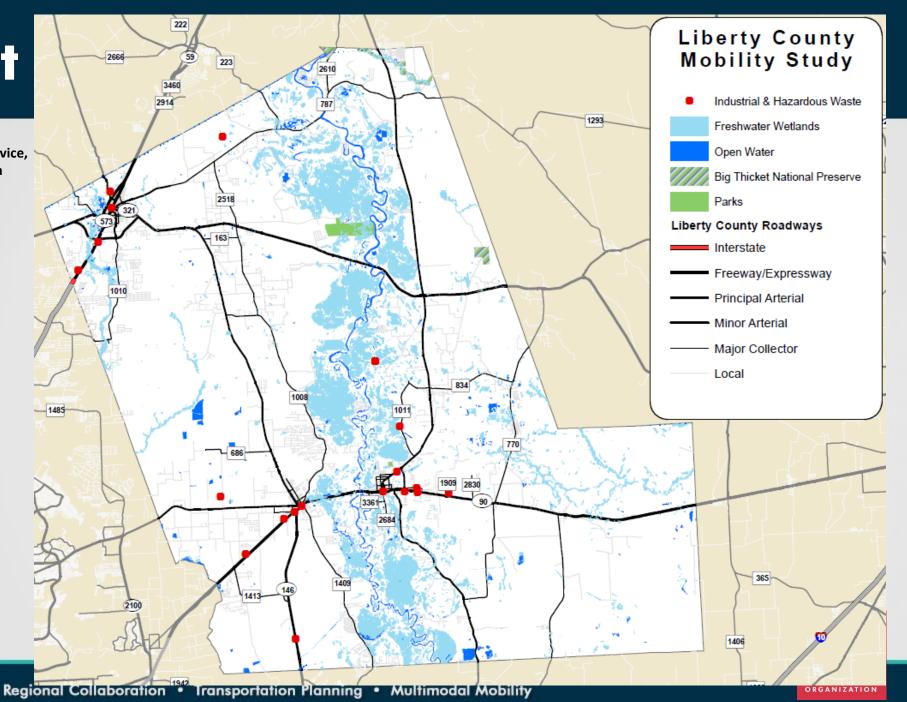
Source: 2015 FEMA Flood Data, H-GAC Open Data



#### Environment

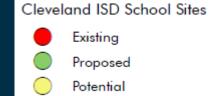


Source: TCEQ Open Data, National Park Service, H-GAC Open Data



			Cleveland	Dayton	Liberty	Liberty County	
and	Use	Commercial	1.24%	0.33%	0.85%	0.14%	
		Gov / Med / Edu	0.36%	0.31%	0.08%	0.08%	
		Industrial	0.53%	0.69%	0.38%	0.55%	
	Source: H-GAC Regional Land Use	Multiple	7.14%	4.45%	5.62%	5.85%	
Inf	Information System 2019	Parks / Open Space	0.74%	0.05%	6.30%	3.82%	
		Residential	6.20%	5.44%	4.22%	4.54%	
		Undevelopable	9.73%	<b>21.79%</b>	<b>26.05%</b>	14.15%	
		Unknown	0.04%	0.53%	0.04%	0.05%	
NUL TEA YEAR		Agricultural / Vacant 🔁 🔛	74.02%	66.41%	<b>56.46%</b>	70.83%	
	City of Cleveland	City of Day	ton		City	y of Liberty	

# **Proposed Development**



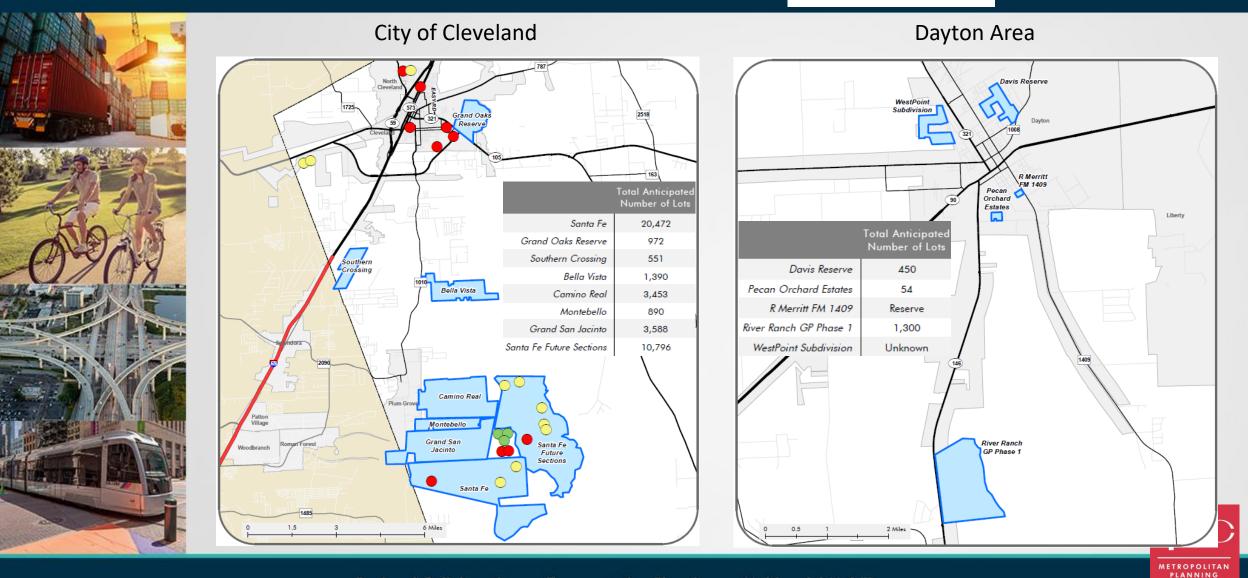
Existing Proposed

Potential

Source: Cleveland ISD, City of Dayton

Development Activity

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#### **Your Role**



#### Your Role



- Stay involved
  - Project website engage.H-GAC.com
- Tell us where to improve!
  - Public commenting tools
  - Upcoming public meetings

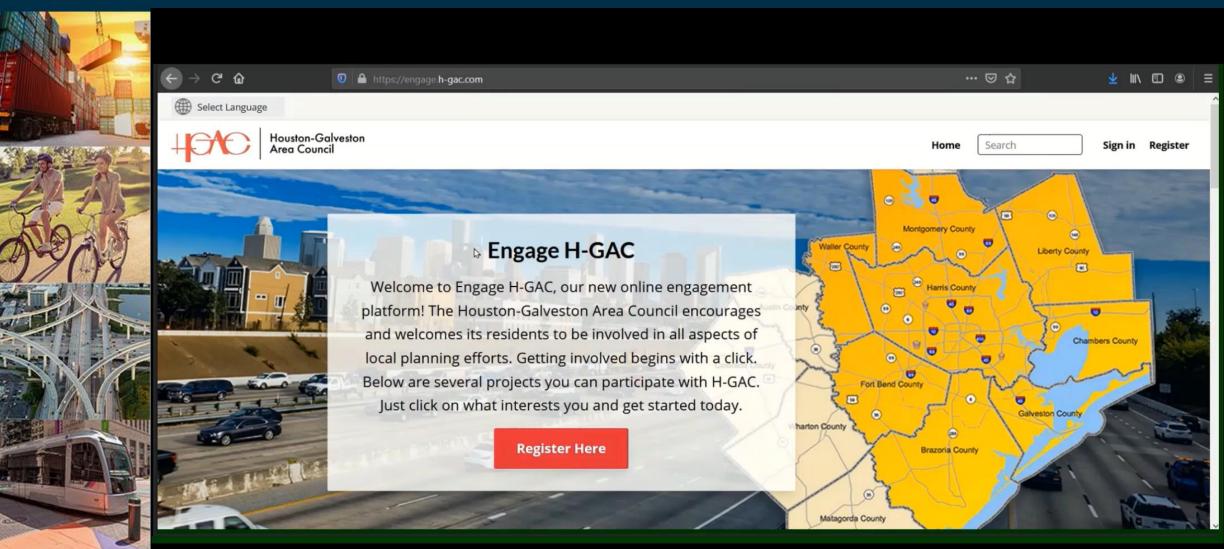
What happens with my feedback?



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#### **Public Commenting Demonstration**





#### **Next Steps**



#### **Next Steps**



- Review public input received
- Analyze issues and make recommendations
- Continued collaboration with Cleveland, Dayton, Liberty and County representatives
- Public Meeting #2 Fall 2021
- Create implementation and funding plan
- Final report



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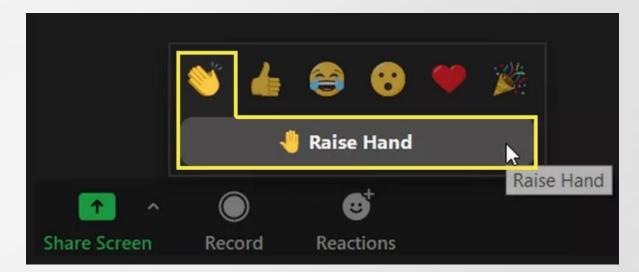
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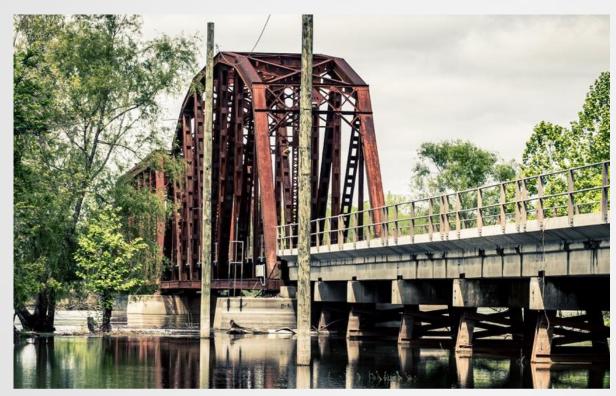
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#### **Questions and Answers**

#### What questions do you have for us? Please use the "chat" feature.





#### Thank You! Further Discussion



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